

Appendix VI

MGD / MRACDS Conjoint Examination

Background

A memorandum of understanding is signed between RACDS and CDSHK to conduct conjoint examination of the MGD and MRACDS in general stream programs on 1 April 2012.

Extracted from the MOU , it is stipulated as

Conjoint Examinations

1. The CDSHK shall, at such intervals as may be agreed between it and the RACDS, conduct conjoint membership RACDS/CDSHK examinations in both theory and practice. This arrangement is based on the general dental practice by mutual agreement.

2. The first conjoint examination will be held in 2012, in Hong Kong and shall be offered only to all previously successful MGD holders (2009-2011 diet) and MRACDS holders by full examination. All MGD applicants for this diet must first enroll with RACDS as a conjoint examination candidate, and all MRACDS applicants must first enroll with CDSHK in like manner. They shall then apply to and pay the CDSHK the prescribed fee in order to sit the conjoint examination. Any future diets of this conjoint examination shall be subject to further agreement between the two Colleges.

3. Each candidate must fulfill the entry criteria for the conjoint MGD/MRACDS examination by successfully completing all elements of either the MGD training program or the MRACDS program including relevant assessments, examinations 2 and CPD requirements. A letter of standing for all applicants would be required to be provided by each respective College to substantiate the applicant's eligibility.

4. The application forms for the examination together with the candidate's relevant certificates shall be submitted to the CDSHK with the examination fee. Certified copies thereof shall be forwarded to the Examination Offices of the RACDS. The CDSHK shall produce the final candidates list.

5. The Colleges shall agree jointly a minimum number of candidates for each diet of the examination before agreement that a diet of the examination will take place. A cancellation policy shall be agreed by both parties.

6. The examination paperwork shall reflect that it is a conjoint examination. The CDSHK and the RACDS shall simultaneously release the results to their respective candidates.

7. Any complaint or appeal by a candidate in relation to the conjoint examination shall be dealt with under the Complaints and Appeals Procedure of the respective candidate from CDSHK or the RACDS.

8. Each successful candidate shall be eligible to apply for the use of the postnominals MGD from the CDSHK and use of the postnominals MRACDS from the RACDS once admitted and subscribed to the relevant College subject to the original application for examination.

Notes :

1. The conjoint viva examination center will be in Hong Kong
2. candidates must opt for either MGD or MRACDS program before they attend the conjoint viva examination
3. It is the candidates' responsibility to check their eligibility of registering their qualifications in the respective countries
4. It is the candidate's responsibility to attend the required training modules and CPD courses for MGD & MRACDS which are country- specific
5. The detail arrangements of the examination is subject to change with the mutual agreement of both Colleges.